COMMUNICATIONS. Stay Laws, Banks, &c.

WHITE POST, VA., January 21 .- In a communication published in the Gazette. dated 14th instant, signed H., I notice the assertion that in this immediate neighborhood, scarcely a man refused to sign ation the present alarming state of the country. the petition in circulation praying the Legislature to pass a Stay Law.

If such be the fact, it was simply because no such petition was presented to them, as I am credibly informed that not a single resident of the village, belonging to what is titled to my respect and confidence, have led me called the laboring class, signed it, nor do I to the conclusion that the people of the county know that any other villager did--whilst authorized to announce me as such. many persons in the neighborhood, who did sign it, say that it was done without reflecnames off, expressing at the same time a desire to have an opportunity to sign a would have a tendency to destroy the credit | body. of the poorer classes, and to deprive honest men generally of their rights.

passage) there are only those two conditions, poverty and honesty, (and apart from the inconvenience attending the former, I am happy to testify that I have not unfrequently round them connected) that will be to any extent affected by such a law; for I do not enactment to credit any poor man who had signed a petition asking its passage; and I do not believe an honest man would avail himself of its protection, any sooner than

quired the payment of 71 per cent., or any other per cent, in addition to the legal interest, in order to have a note renewed, I at least have never yet heard of it; but in aretheir defence will add, that in order to satisour notes to the full amount of our estates, and allow us to make the estimates, each one for himself. And here I would ask if all discounts made in favor of the millers (to whose Baltimore drafts, reference is supposed to be made) are not indirectly anstom of this neighborhood, with some exceptions it is true, to sell our wheat crops to to the probable yield per acre.

Now, as I fear I have already taxed your patience too heavily, and that you will be apt to conclude that too much of your colfriend II., if we, with all these advantages. and with the indulgence granted, voluntarily, by those who have the people largely in debt to them, and who now imprudently ask for negotiable notes, at 60 days, payable where they cause, and take and stand by the consequences. can get them discounted, have come to the ruinous condition that he describes for the left patriotism and good sense enough, North and perusal of our Legislature, what in the name of common sense would be our condition at the expiration of two years, when the law of the land would again be in force? What advantage would it be to us for the Banks to resume specie payment then, any more than now, when we have none of their notes to offer for redemption. A FARMER.

On Tuesday, the 22d instant, by the Rev. J. T. confidence, to discharge my duty to the best of my Johnston, at the residence of the bride's father. A. ability, animated by an ardent desire for the pros-

MARRIED.

R. Fraser, JAS. RECTOR SMOOT, esq., of this perity and honor of my country.

ASA ROGERS. place, to Miss FANNIE V. FRASER, of Alexan-OBITUARY.

Dien, at her residence in San Antonio, Texas, on Tuesday the 28th instant, in her 46th year, Mrs. E. A. SAPPINGTON, widow of the late Dr. Sappington, of Memphis, Tennessee. The illness of which she died was sudden, brief and painful, but it was borne with the calm hope and resignation of one who believeth implicitly in the merits and mercy of the Redeemer.

Mrs Sappington moved from Tennessee to San Antonio about six years ago, and soon formed around her a large circle of triends and acquaint ces, by all of whom her death is greatly deplored. By her kindness and amiability of character she gained the esteem of all who knew her. She was a sincere member of the Episcopal Church, and assisted with her means in materially forwarding the objects of that church in that city. Besides the many friends who lament her early death, she leaves behind her a large family, and their loss is indeed irreparable. But he who rules the temposts, holds the winds in the hollow of his hands, and without whose ken not a sparrow falleth from the house tops, hath them in his charge, and in his own good time they will find that consolation which they now seek for in vain. The cold, unanswering grave bath shut out from viewall they loved most, the portals of the tomb have closed upon her they prized so much, but she is not dead, she only sleepeth; and it is the fervent hope and belief of children, relatives. and friends, that in J. C. Chichester. the fullness of time, they will again behold her at the right hand of the Lamb of God. Beloved in her life, in her death she will still be remembered She has fought the good fight, may she rest in J. Coffer,

PIRST MONTH. JANUARY.	SUN rises.				MOON'S PRASES.
24 Thursday		13			ъ. н. к.
25 Friday	7	12	5	14	Foll26 11 57 M.
26 Saturday					Last qr., 2 4 52 M
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28 Monday	7	10	5	17	Firstqr., 17 7 11 E.
29 Tue. day	7	9	5	19	HIGH WATER.
39 Wednesday.	7	8	5	20	JAN'RY. 24 -4, -m

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-JANUARY 23.

ARRIVED. Brig Perthshire, Outerhouse, Newport, railroad unfeignedly diffident of my ability to represent iron to Manassas Gap Railroad Co.,-with loss of you in a manner demanded by the importance of bowsprit, jibboom, having been in contact with the the occasion, yet feeling that at a time so full of Sehr. L. N. Godfrey, Ellis, off Wolftrap Light- peril as the present, and in which the peace, happi-Schr. Charles West, Bever. Norfolk, lumber to wealth are so greatly imperilled, no loyal citizen Smoot Uhler & Co., and naval stores to Wheat & should refuse his services, when required: I there Bro., and N. Boush.

SAILED. Wm. H. Fowle & Son.

MEMORANDA. Bark Warren, Blackwell, from this port, for San Francisco, was spoken November 22-no lat. or long. given.

Georgetown, D. C., 21st inst. Schr. E. F. Lewis, Wallace, hence at Holmes' Hole, for Boston, 20th inst.

DAVID FUNSTEN will address the citi- Sampson P. Bayly,

zens of Alexandria this evening, at Liberty Hall, P. R. Harry, jan 24-1t De-ATTENTION OLD DOMINION RIFLES. R. D. Larkin. -You are hereby ordered, without delay, to Uni- J. W. Shackelford,

form, in the manner heretofore directed by the J. Baker, NOTICE .- The steamer "DIAMOND NOTICE.—The steamer "DIAMOND STATE" will, weather permitting, leave

Baltimore, on Saturday afternoon, for Alexandria, or earlier, if loaded. Shippers will please take WHEAT & BRO., Agents. jan 24-3t 2000 PAIRS COUNTRY KNIT SOCKS, a prime article, just received and for

sale low by [jan 24] S. & W. MEYENBERG. BLANKETS! BLANKETS!1-For Families approaching State Convention, passed a resolution to the following effect: jan 24 S. &. W. MEYENBERG'S.

CERVANT FOR HIRE .-- A GIRL accustom-O ed to house work, nursing, and washing. Enquire at No. 65. St. Asaph-street. jau 22-3t

BEST 123 CENT CALICOES now selling at 10 cents, at jan 23

THE STATE CONVENTION. A CARD.

To the voters of Londonn :- During our last Court, just adjourned, and for some days previously. I have been called upon by a number of the citizens of the county to know if I would consent to be a candidate for a seat in the convention to be held next month, to take into consider-My reply has been that I had no desire for the position-that it was one of great delicacy and responsibility, which should not be sought on the one hand-nor declined without some good reason, and that I would hold the question under advisement. until I could learn what appeared to be the wish of the people in regard to it. The indications of public opinion presented to me, from quarters enwish me to be one of their delegates, and you are

It is deemed proper, under the circumstances in which I am placed-the election being fixed for so early a day, when there will be no opportunity tion, and that they would be glad to get their of meeting the people or of communicating with them, except through the press; and the issues involved, being of such momentous interest to the country, that I should present some general views counter petition, requesting the Legislature of my opinions, in relation to the great questions to refrain from the passage of any law that | which will probably engage the attention of that

I have not the time, nor is it necessary to go into all the questions which agitate the public mind, and I trust, that at this late period of my In my opinion, (I cannot say whether or not life, it is not requisite for me to assure the people I reflect the sentiments of all opposed to its of my native county, how much I have always loved and venerated the Union of these States .-This feeling has been interwoven with every sentiment of my nature from early boyhood. I may add, too, that no man among you, whose estate is no larger than mine, has more personal interest in the preservation of this Union, as our Fathers made it and intended it to operate. But it is alhesitate to say, that I would refuse after its | ready practically broken up, and the time has come, when, in my judgment, the people of the southern states should demand that the questions which have so long agitated the country shall be settled.

It is useless "to cry peace! peace! when there he would take avantage of the gambling act. is no peace;" and it is useless to discuss the ques-In reference to his complaints against the | tion of the right of secession, about which the most Banks and millers, if any Bank has re- eminent statesmen and lawyers differ, when we know the fact that some five or six states have adopted that remedy, or will do so before many

The practical questions for us to consider,

First. Shall the Federal Government subjugate fy us as a class, they would have to discount | and coerce these seceding states? I say, emphatically, no ! and I was pleased to see that our Legislature, now in session, by their almost unanimous vote, have so resolved in the most unqualified language. Whatever may be thought by those opposed to the doctrine of secession, of the abstract right of the Federal Government, it is obvious that such a course would lead to the worst in favor of us? for it is notoriously the possible consequences, and render a reconstruction of the Union utterly unattainable.

Second. What should Virginia do? Events are so rapidly crowding upon us, and the scene is the millers, as soon as it is known how many shifting so constantly, that truly "no one knows acres we have in, and the wheat gets up so what a day may bring forth." My judgment now, as to enable us to make some calculations, however is, that Virginia should not follow the ex by the number of spears in a square foot, as ample of the Cotton States by going out of the Union, but that she should in Convention determine what shall be demanded of the North-asking for nothing but what we are justly and fairly entitled to. That she should invite her sister states of the South, or such as have not seceded, to meet umns are taken up by White Post corres- her in convention, for co-operation, and there, afpondents, I will conclude by asking my ter mature deliberation, present to the North their ultimatum. And if after in vain, exhausting all proper means for a fair and honorable adjustment of the difficulties, let us draw the line-establish a Southern Confederacy, and appeal to the world and to the God of Nations for the justice of our

> South, to settle our difficulties, pr sections will not precipitate actual hostilities. Of course, the relations of Virginia to the Federal Government, should not in any wise be changed, without the concurrence of our people, fairly ex-

I cannot but hope and believe, that there is yet

with which they will be clothed, without expecting them to exercise their best judgment and discretion, in the matters submitted to them. I can only promise, if I am honored with your confidence, to discharge my duty to the best of my

Middleburg, Loudoun Co., Va., Jan. 24, 1861. FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE, 1 January 21st, 1861.

To ALPRED MOSS, ESQ. Sin: We, the undersigned, believing that you will truly represent the will of a majority of the citizens of this county, in the Convention to be held in Richmond, on the 13th day of February next, do respectfully request that you will consent to be voted for as a delegate to said Convention, on Tuesday, the 4th of February next.

Your response to this request is solicited at the earliest practicable moment. Respectfully, James O. Tucker. Ira Williams, J. E. Mitchell, Wm. S. Reid. Samuel McDaniel, John Powell. Thompson Javins, Thes. J. Murray. Edward Johnson, W. H Simpson, Walter Powell. M. D. Woodyard, John Gunnell, Isaac Fairfax. W. B. Kincheloe. Simpson Pomeroy, David Fitzhugh, James Backley, J. Hendley Simpson, Joel Mann. R. H. Cockerille, Melvin Johnson, George Burke. Thos. Moore, Chas. W. Turley, W. R. Chapman R. M. Whiely, D. McCarty Chichester, tieo. Davis, jr., Zeph Buckley, Francis Wooster. J. A. Marshall David Trammel. C. F. Anderson. James Leys. Samuel Adams

B. N. Barke. S. T. Stone. Geo. W. Hunter, John T. Wells. J. T. Burke, F. C. Davis. R. C. Mason, J. T. Walker, D. M. Sanders, J. F. Buckley Thus. N. Williams, John W. Steel, Newman Burke, G. W. Pettit, A. B. Williams, James M. Fairfax, J. R. Pugh. John H. Buckley. Thos. R. Lore, A. S. Grigsby.

FAIRFAX COURT HOUSE, ! January 21st, 1861.

To Messrs, Jas. O. TUCKER, THA WILLIAMS, and GENTLEMEN: I have received yours of to-day,

inviting me to become a candidate for a seat is the State Convention, to be held in the city of Rich mond on the 13th of February next. While I am ness, and prosperity of the good old Commonfore, cheerfully yield to your request. Should it be the pleasure of the voters to elect me. I pledge Steamer S. Seymour, Palmer, Philadelphia, to | myself that in all my acts I will have an eye single to the rights, interests and honor of Virginia.

1 am very respectfully, yours, ALFRED MOSS. P. S. I shall, before the day of election, publish an address to the voters, in which I will state ful-Schr Breeze, Hulse, arrived at Providence from | ly and distinctly my views and opinions.

Fairfax county, jan 24-ec3t Ze NOTICE - There will be a meeting of the Voters of Upper Fauquier, at Salem, on Saturday, the 26th day of January. R. E. Scott, 20 EDGAR SNOWDEN will address his fel- John Q. Marr, and the other candidates, are relow citizens at Liberty Hall, on Friday evening, specifully invited to attend, and address the peojan 24-2t ple on that day.

F. R. Cooper. Richard H. Carter. James T. Turner, William Murray, Wm. F. Turner. Bennot Saunders, B. F. Rixey. Lewis Tracey, James E. Marray, John A. Adams

George W. Norris, Wm. C. Marshall. W. J. Morgan. Henry J. Francis. Clemens C. Speeden, P. Augustus Klipstine, D. B. Hall. W. N. Utterback, John W. Russeli, John B. Wright. H. B. Jones, Moses M. Gibson. Fauquier County, Va., jan 24-1t

The Convention which assembled at Lexington on Monday, the 21st instant, to nominate candidates to represent Rockbridge County in the

Resolved. That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chairman to prepare an address to the people of Virginia, requesting them to petition and demand that the Convention adopt the Crit. tenden Compremise as a satisfactory basis of settlement for Virginia.

The undersigned, Committee appointed in accordance with the above resolution, being impressed with the necessity of immediate action in the

premises, to be at all effectual, and conscious that no argument is needed in favor of the Hon, Mr. Crittenden's proposition, with those who desire a pacific scattlement of the present angry and threatening condition of public affairs, content themselves with simply recommending that petitions in favor of that Compromise be circulated for signature, at the polls, on the 4th of February; and that in those counties where, for want of notice, this shall not be done, similar petitions be prepared and circulated as soon as practicable, and all of them be presented to our State Convention at the time of its assembling, by the delegates from the different counties which take action

n response to this call. Papers in the State favorable to this movement, will please copy. ALEX. M. HAMILTON, D. P. CURRY,

JACOB M. RUFF. Committee. JOSEPH S. MCNUTT. WM. DOLD. N. B .- Messrs. Samuel McDowell Moore and James B. Dorman were then nominated as the Union candidates for the State Convention.

Lexington, jan 24

Z-O- To the Voters of Fauquier :- In response to calls made upon me through the press, as well as by many of my fellow-citizens in different portions of the county, to allow my name to bo used for the Convention which has recently been called by the General Assembly of this State, and believing, so far as I can ascertain, that it is the wish of a large number of the voters of all parties hat I should become a candidate, I think it proper, without further delay, (as but a short period of me intervenes before the election,) to state that, hould it be your pleasure to elect me, I will eudeavor to discharge the important trust to the best of my ability, and in such a manner as to meet with your approval.

Doeply sensible of the important subject which has given rise to the call of this Convention, I am aware that an expression of the particular views of the different candidates is expected by many whose suffrages are solicited.

On ordinary occasions, when Conventions are called to consider the propriety of changing some organic law of the State, it is not difficult for men define their exact positions on the question submitted for their consideration-but now, when, I may say, we are almost in the midst of a revo ution, the views we hold to-day, shaped and formed by existing circumstances that surround us, may, by a change in the condition of affairs, be improper for to-morrow. It would, therefore, be impossible, it would be improper, for me to tie my hands to any particular view or any particular policy to be pursued on the great questions which agitate the country, by a Convention which does not assemble for nearly a month from this time. This is strikingly exemptified by the fact that we have many around us who, a week ago were in favor of pursuing a certain line of policy, now are for the very contrary, and probably ere anther week, not to say month, may find themselves,

by the force of events, occupying a third position.

The General Assembly of Virginia, now in seson, has promptly passed several measures reating to the present crisis, which I cordially approve The resolutions pledging the State to resist by all means in her power, the coercion, under existing circumstances, of any slave State, and the position of the Governor, that the pasage of any troops across our soil for that purpose, would be considered an invasion, to be repelled with all the strength of the Commonwealth, clearand unequivocally warns Northern fanaticism hat Virginia cannot and will not stand with folded arms and permit those Southern States to be uthlessly assailed, to whom we are bound by of institutions, by reciprocal interests, and by the eternal laws of nature and of God .-Nor can we allow the present opportunity to pass without having definitely and forever settled those questions growing out of the institution of slavery. which have for years been a source of agitation and which have at last partially destroyed that Union which has accomplished so much good to see nothing to rejoice. The issue has been forced upon us, and we must meet it with decision, with energy, with firmness, with unanimity, with a united front, and with unfaltering devotion to the honor and safety of the Commonwealth. Let Virginia speak and act, not with "boisterous bravado," but with enlightened patriotism, and that calm courage which has ever marked her history in the past cannot agree to allay the storm by submission, bu there is no sacrifice consistent with the honor and nterest of the State which I would not make t preserve and transmit, unimpaired, to comin generations, a confederacy which was perfected by the wise and good and patriotic men of the past, and which, if severed by civil conflict, can never

The legislature has also, I believe, passed an et for the appointment of Commissioners to meet those proposed to be appointed from the border slave States, in the city of Washington, on the 4th of February, and whose joint action and reommendations will doubtless be reported to our State Convention, and may form the ground work for a solution and settlement of the diffi ulties that surround us-and, although now scarcely a ray of hope lights our pathway, yet, as the dark est hour precedes the break of day, that Providence which in time past guided us, when weak through dangers and difficulties, may dispel the approaching storm and continue to shield us with

His protecting arm. In view of changing circumstances, of the magnitude of the interests involved, and of the great considered by the Convention, I can only say to you, that, if elected, I will endeavor, with good judgment and discretion and firmness, to deal with the state of affairs existing at the time of the sit- | B ting of the Convention, as the exigency of the occasion may demand, striving, if possible, to obtain all the just and equitable rights to which the South is entitled, without farther breaking the bonds of the Union; but in the event of a cortinued disposition to aggress, and an unyielding spirit on the part of Northern fanaticism, then so o act as best to maintain the honor and rights of | (the State whose interests and whose welfare it is our duty to cherish and defend as long as life it

seif shall lagt.

If, therefore, you think proper to confide such great trust to my ju-2 ment and discretion, I shall be grateful for your suffrages. It, on the contrary, there should be other gentlemen before you in connection with this trust, on whose judgmen', discretion and patriotism you would feel safer to rely, vote for them-your interest and your duty demand it. As for myself, whether in a repre sentative capacity or as a private citizen, my fortunes are indissolubly connected with Virginia, the land of my birth, and by whom I have been nurtured with more than a parent's care, and on whose bosom I shall repose when time with me shall be no more. "She shall know no peril but that it shall be my peril, no conflict but that it shall be my conflict, and there is no abyss of ruin to which she may sink, so low, but that I shall JOHN Q. MARR. share her fali."

weir- We are authorized to amounce David ENSTEN, esq., as a candidate for the State Convention for Alexandria County. jan 22-eot E 2.5" We are authorized to announce Gen. Eppa HUNTON, as a candidate for the State Convention,

to represent Prince William County. Prince William County, Va., jan 22-eotE Act We are authorized to announce WILLIAM H. DULANY, esq., as a candidate to represent the County of Fairfax in the State Convention, to assemble on the 13th of February.

Fairfax County, jan 19-eot E 22" We are requested to announce ALPRED Moss, esq., as a candidate to represent the county of Fairiax in the Convention, to assemble on the 13th of February, 1861.

Fairfax county, jan 19-cot E Zer- We are authorized to announce Robert E. Scott and John Q. Mann, as candidates for the State Convention from the County of Fauquier. The election will take place on the 4th of MANY VOTERS. February.

Plains Station, jun 17-eote Me are authorized to announce WM. H PAYNE, esq., as a candidate for the Convention, from the county of Fauquier. The election with be on the 4th of February.

Fanquier county, Va., jan 16-eotE BE DR R. C. Mason is presented as a proper erson to represent Fairfax County in th coming Convention, and will be sustained by MANY CITIZENS. Fairfax county, Va., jan 17-eotE

ZO GEORGE W. BRENT, esq., is respectfully

named as a suitable person to represent this county in the State Convention, to be held in Februa. MANY CITIZENS. jan 15-eotE 20 We are authorized to announce WM. H. Fowle, esq., as a candidate for the State Convention, for Alexandria County. jan 15-entE MILITARY GLOVES, a very superior article for officers; Colt's Pistols, U. S. Carbines,

and Military Stores of all kinds, for sale by W. B. RICHARDS, Jr., 110, King street. BBLS. PURE CRAB CIDER, just received, O and for sale by jan 23 HUMPHREYS & TALIAFERRO.

Directors of the Farmers' Bank. By the Stockholders. By the Governor. PREDERICKSBURG. W. S. Barton,

J. H. Wallace, John J. Chew. John Coakley. W. Roy Mason, Jr. Samuel Gordon. Joseph Alsop, Thos. J. Kirkpatrick,# Wm. H. Hall, W. L. Morris, 9 H. F. Bocock.*

David W. Burton. Turn r Dixon, Wm. Gregory, J. M. Johnson, C. F. Suttle, J. H. Brent. F. L. Smith. C. C. Smoot.

Jno. S Langhorne.

H. H. McGuire, Ro. L. Paker, T. T. Fauntleroy, Jr. Patrick Smith, Robert Steele * Henry S. Baker, Jas B. Taylor. CHARLOTTSVILLE. B. W. Snead, T. J. Raudolph,

R. G. Crank. George Carr. Wm S. Dabney.* Socrates Maupin, Jas. Lobban, R. B. Moorman, Joel McPherson, R. B. James. Austin Handley.

Johnson E. Bell, Floyd Estell.* WYTHEVILLE. Stephen McGavock, A. T. Crockett, Gorden C. Kent, Ro. Crockett, Isaac J. Leftwich." Wm. Gibboney,* Wm. Terry.

Ven Directors The following appointments have been made o Directors in the Bank of Virginia, at Federicksburg: By the Stockholders-W. P. Conway, D H. Gordon, J. H. Bradley, Charles Herndon. By the Governor-G. H. C. Rowe, R. W. Adams H. S. Doggett.

COMMERCIAL.

Monotary. By the arrival of the Manchester, at New York, we have advices from Europe to the 5th instant. The Banks of both England and France had un. expectedly advanced their rates to 7 per cent .--Consols fell & per cent, closing 912@912 for money and account, and commercial transactions were checked. Cotton was buoyant, but breadstuffs dull and lower, corn and flour declined 6d wheat quiet. Provisions dull but prices unchang

The domestic exchanges are working easier at

Alexandria Market, January 23. The market for Flour remains firm, with light advance. We quote Union street Super a \$5.50 (a, \$5.75; Extra, \$6 (a, \$6.50, and Family \$6.50 (a \$7.50. The offerings of all descriptions of Grain on 'Change, this morning, was large. All the offerings changed hands at the following figures: For Wheat, 132, 140, 141, 142, 145, 146, and 150e for fair to prime quality white, and 122, 127, 130, and 133c, for indifferent to prime red. Corn is active, with sales of new at 70c., and old at 72c. for orime; one lot damaged new brought 65c. The lemand for Rye is good. We note sales at 71@ 72c. In Oats there is an improved demand, but

prices have declined. There were sales at 29@

New York Cattle Market, Jan. 22.

to and 31c., according to quality.

There were about 3,500 head of bullocks in the ale-pens at the opening of the market this morning, which is nearly 1,600 head more than it opened with last Tuesday, and nearly 400 head more than the total for both days last week. The general average weight and quality is also much bet ter now than then: consequently, prices generally are equal to half a cent a pound on the net weigh of beef lower than last week's quetations, upon all grades, though owing to the improved quality mankind, and over the destruction of which I can of the stock, the average of the week may not be extra good bullocks, sold at 10c, net a pound, the price of the best to-day is only 9@91c., instead of 91 (a, 10c., as last week; and the falling off upon the lower grades is still greater.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 23 .- Floor is heavy: sales of 0,000 bbls.; State \$5.15@\$5.25 Ohio \$5.70@ \$5.75; Southern \$5.75@\$6.05. Wheat-white has declined le.; sales of 20,000 bushels; Milwaukie club 125 @ 126c.; Western red 134c.; white 145e. for common. Corn is heavy; sales of 30, 000 bushels at 68½@69c. Lard is quiet at 9½@ 10%c. Whiskey is steady at 18c. Va. 6's 76½; Mo. 6's 68%.

ALEXANDRIA SAVINGS INSTITUTION. TABLE undersigned, appointed by the Directory of the Alexandria Savings Institution, to audit a statement of its affairs for the year ending the 14th instant, and to report thereon, hav ing been allowed free access to the books and accounts of said Institution, and furnished with the actual evidences of property, report as follows: LIABILITIES:

......\$33,456 14 One depositors..... Interest due depositors to loth Janua-Dividend to Stockholders, 15th Janua-

		\$41
Assets:	\$25,084	23
Alexandria Corporation Stock		00
Bank of Old Dominion Exchange Bank of Virginia	7.0	00
Farmers' Bank of Virginia Fire Insurance Stock	100	00
Orange and A. R. R. Bond . Cash in Bank	705	
	\$41,221	
	241,221	48.15

The funds, in the opinion of the Committee are safely-invested. ROBERT JAMIESON,) Examining J. J. WHEAT. ian 24-law4w

No. 1 CARBON OIL, Warranted to give a more BRILLIANT LIGHT AT LESS EXPENSE Than any other Oil offered,

and free from smoke. Manufactured, and for sale by A. & W. J. HAMILL. 50 South Frederick street and

125 North Gay street, Baltimore, Md., jan 24-eolm? VALENTINES! VALENTINES!!-A very V large and complete assortment just opened at FRENCH'S Book and Periodical Depot, No

104 King street. My assortment embraces a great variety of new style Valentines, at very low prices. Valentine Cards, Envelopes, and Writers, in great variety. Orders from Country Merchants filled at the low-

A fresh supply just received of Gilham's Manual for Volunteers and Militia, \$2 50. Godey, Harper, Leslie, Peterson's, Arthur's, Eclectic, Blackwood, Ballou's Once a Week, Cornfill and all the Magazines for February.

Constantly receiving new Books, Papers, Magazines, Reviews. Periodicals, &c. jan 24 N EW GOODS.-Just received another supply of those desirable and cheap Goods, and name in part:-Cocheco and other Prints: Ginghams; Col'd Jennes; Col'd Cambries; White Flan-

nels; 4 4 Bro. Cottons; 3-4 Bro. Cottons; Bleached Cottons; assorted Canton Flannel; Sheeting Cot ton; Cotton Osnaburgs; Twil'd, Cottons; Plaid Domestics; Twil'd. Duck, &c., for sale by BRYAN & ADAMS, Agents. jan 24 SHIRTING COTTONS AND IRISH LINENS.

-Just received a good assortment of the best

makes of Bleached Cottons and Irish Linens, such us New York Mills Bleached Cottons; Wamsuta Mills do.: Richardson's Family Linen: Dunbar. Dixior & Co.'s da., for sale by jan 24 BRYAN & ADAMS, Agents OUR ACCOUNTS having been made off to January 1st, and pretty generally distribu ted, we call on our friends to make a prompt re-

spouse, as times are hard and money scarce. S & W. MEYENBERG. DANDELION COFFEE, highly recommended to Invalids and Dyspeptics—one pound equal to two pounds of Java Coffee. For sale by CHARLES J. WISE, cor. Prince and Pitt-sts.

6 BBLS. of very superior pure OLD RYE N WHISKEY, just received from Wm. Abney & by Co., of Augusta County, Va., and for sale by 100 GROSS MATCHES will arrive in the Self at CHARLES J. WISE.

2,000 PAIRS COUNTRY KNIT SOCKS, and for sale by

S. & W. MEYENBERG

LOCAL ITEMS.

John C Heenan, the pugilist, came over the Alexandria and Lynchburg Railroad yesterday, en route for New York. He has been spending several weeks in Nushville. A gentleman who travelled a portion of the road with him, and who had an opportunity of observing, gives the following particulars: He is six feet two inches in height, weighs two hundred and twenty-five pounds, and is thirty-two years of age. Has dark brown hair, rather inclined to carl, which he wears two inches long. His eyes are of a dark grey color, and seem over restless. At the time of the "exercise" with Sayers he reduced his weight to one hundred and eighty The thumb of his right hand had been broken in the socket, which somewhat spoiled the appearance but not the utility of the member. The left hand had also suffered some ill usage. He seems to be a modest and intelligent man, and one who would attract much attention if he were any other than Heenan.

MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT .- In Georgetown, a few days since, two colored children one about seven and the other about four years old, were contending for the possession of a baby, which the elder was nursing, when the younger, becoming enraged, aimed a blow at his opponent with a billet of wood. and missing, struck the infant on the head, and so injuring it that it lived only a few

DWELLING DESTROYED BY FIRE .- The dwelling house of Dr. Wm. G. Rogers, near Earlysville, Albemarle county, Va., was on the 16th inst., consumed by fire, the origin of which it is supposed, was accidental. The loss sustained is about \$3,500.

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BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH. FROM WASHINGTON.

HE GAZETTE'S SPECIAL DESPATCH. Washington, January 23 .- The major portion of the time of Senate, to-day, was occupied in a discussion of the political position of certain Illinois politicians who it was proposed to make corporators of the Pacific Railroad. The Country falling to ruin and the Senators representing sovereign | pied by the King, and his Ministers insist states frattering away the hours of the ses- on the removal of his quarters. sion in canvassing the merits of individual politicians for places in a Railroad Company. It is one of the signs of the times.

It is said that the House committee on the President's Message have decided to summon witnesses, with a view of ascertaining if officers under the Federal Government have been guilty of treason.

Gov. Seward has taken the initiative, with other prominent gentlemen in getting up a grand inauguration Ball, at which men of all sections can join, and dance "all hands round."

The States of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New York, it is reported and believed are moving in the appointment of delegates to meet those appointed by Virginia to assemble in this city on the Fourth of February next. Advices from Harrisburg name Ex-Governor Packer, Gideon J. Bell, and Morton M. Michael as three of the Pennsylvania Commissioners. There are indications that this proceeding on the part of Virginia will meet with a very general and favorable response.

The report in circulation some days since of the removal of arms from the Harper's Ferry Armory is incorrect. The removal of some hundred muskets a few weeks ago to meet some of the ordinary exigencies of the government is supposed to have occasioned the rumor.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH. Washington, Jan. 23.—The Convention

of delegates representing the Grand Trunk Railroads in the East, North, and Middle and Western St tes, have been in session .100 here, and have adjusted their schedules of Ornamental work at the usual rates, and no freight charges. They say their freight has largely increased in the Northern Atlantic States, while it has fallen off in the Southern Atlantic States. These representatives, desirous of a restoration of peace between the two sections of the country, have set to work to influence the members of Congress from their respective districts to adopt the Crittenden, or some other plan of adjust-

Messrs. Boeock, Florence, Montgomery, and others, have sigued a paper recommending all their fellow-members of the House to resign, in order to a new election and assembling before the fourth of March. They say the present Congress are not able to agree on any plan of adjustment.

The Government has sent a Naval officer to Fort Pickens, with such instructions as may prevent a collision with the Florida au thorities.

From Georgia. MILLEDGEVILLE, Jan. 23 .- The Convention is to elect at noon, to-morrow, ten delegates to meet at Montgomery on the fourth of February, the members to be instructed. and all Southern States invited to send del-

The special order, (the ordinance concerning the African slave trade) was amended, declaring it not to be piracy, but substituting imprisonment in the penitentiary for violation of the former Federal laws. It was then passed unanimously. Mr. Hill, of Troupe, offered an ordinance,

which was referred, providing for the continuance of the present postal, revenue, and other laws, the observance of treaties, &c. It was said that there would be another government established on the basis of the old one. Judge Benning offered an ordinance, con-

tinning the operation of laws about the inter-State slave trade, and, also, a resolution appointing Commissioners from all the slaveholding States. Mr. Cobb reported an ordinance revoking the Federal jurisdiction over all lands ceded

for fortifications, arsenals, and, also, for all improvements and stores. This lays over. There are many rumors affoat as to who are to be the representatives to Montgomery, but it is generally conceded that Messrs. Toombs and Howell Cobb will be sent from ty in the delegates, but no regard will be paid to the present Congressmen. General satisfaction is expressed at the passage of der. Secession feeling is so intense as to si-

to the State, and authorizing the payment

the anti-slave trade ordinance.

Signs of Compromise. ALBANY, Jan. 22 .- The Republicans held

a secret caucus this evening, to consider the action advisable to take on the report of the Committee on Federal Relations. Senator Latham presided. An effort was made by Messrs. Rice, Platt, and others, to find Republicans to abide by the action of the caucas with a view of adopting a resolution to postpone action on the report of the Committee on Federal Relations. Mr. Robinson made an able speech in support of the report, and in vindication of the policy of conciliation which it contemplates. He declared that the report should be discussed in the House, on Wednesday, whatever the action was taken. The general impression is that Robinson's resolutions will pass in the House.

From Indiana.

Indianapolis, January 22 .- The stars and stripes were hoisted from the dome of the Capitol to-day. The entire military and fire department of the city, and a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen were present. Cannon were fired, and Union speeches made by prominent men of Indiana. Car- to send Commissioners to Washington on the oline Richings sang the "Star Spangled 4th of February according to the plan pro-Banner" and was greeted with rapturous possed by Virginia. It was made a special applause.

Message of the Governor of Louisiana. BATON ROUGE, Jan. 22.-The message of the Gevernor of Louisiana to the Legislature is uncompromising in its tone. He is in fafront of the Mayor's Office, in Alexandria, the vor of secession, the North having contemp-tuously rejected the propositions of modererate men.

Later from Pensacola. Pensacola, Jan. 22.—Two Columbiades

Forts Pickens and McRae are being invested by the allied State troops of Florida and Alabama. Later From Mexico.

from Vera Cruz of the 10th inst. have been | vacancies filled. received. Miramon and some of his officers had been captured by Indians, but Miramon escaped by killing three of his captors. Juarez started for the Capitol on the 5th.

Rendition of a Fugitive Slave CLEVELAND, Jan. 23.--In the case of the fugitive Slave case of the girl Lucy, the defence was withdrawn, and she will be retence was withdrawn, and she will be returned to Virginia to-morrow.

ONE DAY LATER FROM EUROPE. Effect of the American Crisis in England and France.

ARRIVAL OF THE ARAGO

NEW YORK, Jan. 23.—The steamer Arago. from Liverpool, has arrived. Her advices

have been anticipated. Capt. Ingraham, of the Navy, and James Leslie, bearer of despatches, come passengers. The Arago brings London papers of the

9th inst., one day later than the steamer Manchester. GAETA, Jan. 5 .- The shells thrown into the city penetrated the room over that occu-

Hungarian and Polish Garibaldian volunteers were arriving at Perugia from the Danubian Principalities.

The Emperor of Austria proclaims a comprehensive amnesty for Hungary and Transylvania, Crotia, and Sclavonia. Paris, Jan. 9 .- The Bank of France re-

turns shows that a deficit of two million francs may be anticipated. The affairs of the Bank are discouraging.

The American crisis has affected Franco equally with England. The steamer City of Washington had sailed for New York, with nearly half a million

dollars in specie. On the 5th, placards were posted at Rome exhorting the Romans to await the arrival

of the Sardinians. The Neapolitan troops had been ordered

to return home. A depot of arms had been discovered in the Foro Appio. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 9 .- Cotton steady; estimated

sales for three days, 23,000 bales. The market closed steady. Breadstuffs ruled quiet but steady.

Provisions ruled dull. The steamships Bohemian and Etna had arrived at Liverpool. Consols closed at 914.

ONE DAY LATER FROM EUROPE.

ARRIVAL OF STEAMER NORTH BRITON. PORTLAND, Jan. 23 .- The steamship North Briton from Liverpool on the 10th instant, has arrived here.

The ship Champion from Savannah for

the Clyde, was burnt at sea on the 16th of December, but the crew were saved. A panie had occurred in a portion of Liverpool on the 9th. It was rumored that a mob had entered some of the baker's shops and plundered them, owing to an advance in prices and a suspension of labor caused by the severity of the weather. Many of the

shops were closed in consequence. It was rumored that M. Thouvenal intends to retire from the foreign office at Paris. On the 9th the bourse was inanimate .-Rentes were quoted at 67f. 109.

It was believed that the French fleet after

leaving Gaeta would proceed to the Adriatic. and the position at Gaeta would be occupied by the Russian fleet. The Piedmontese were constructing battcries 500 yards from the walls of Gaeta. The Turin Cabinet was reported to have

resolved to tolerate no intervention in Italy or Austria other than the French, but this was denied. The China mails will be at London in time for the Niagara. They are highly important. The Chinese ports are to be opened and inland foreign trade allowed. A

Chinese Ambassador is to reside at London. The Russian Ambassador at Pekin has ratified a conventiou with China, confirming certain privileges on the Amoor river and extending commercial advantages. COMMERCIAL. - The sales of Cotton for the week was 57,000 bales, of which speculators took 8,500 bales and Exporters 4,000 bales-The market had an advancing tendency at

last week's prices. Estimated sales on Friday, 12,000 including 4,000 bales to speculators-closing active. Breadstuffs .- Flour, declining tendencywheat, declining tendency. Corn dull.

Consols 913 @915.

LEGISLATURE OF VIRGINIA. RICHMOND, Jan. 23 .- The Senate passed the bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for the defence of the State, with some amendments. In the House the resolutions to encourage a line of steamers between France and the

Chesapeake was tabled. The other proceedings were unimportant.

The Secession Feeling in Florida. WASHINGTON, January 23 .- Capt. Armstrong late commandant at Pensacola Navy Yard, arrived to-day. He reports to the Department that of the 60 officers and men who were with him three-fourths were secessionists, who would have revolted, had he attempted resistance to over four hundred men under Col. Chase, who demanded his surrenience Union men. One man who the previ-It has been raining hard all day and to- ous day uttered Union sentiments was stabbed. Shortly before the surrender secessionists were by no means dominant in Pensacola, but Col. Chase through a public meeting

at which secession resolutions were passed, influenced the public mind, and drew them generally into the movement When under order of Lieut. Renshaw, the American flag being lowered, it suddenly fell in the dust, a loud shout went up from the exultant multitude, led by an officer

attached to the steamer Wyandotte, which had been ordered to Philadelphia. Lieut. Saunders, bearer of dispatches to Capt. Armstrong, had them demanded of him at his quarters by secessionists but refused to comply. He was then informed that they would be taken from him, to which he replied "that would be an act of war against the United States". He was afterwards conducted to the Nay Yard, and in the presence of Armstrong, who had then surrendered, and finding refusal unavailing

gave them up. At Fort Pickens there are only eighty men to man two hundred and forty guns. North Carolina Legislature.

RALEIGH, Jan. 23 .- The Convention bill was under discussion to-day, the great difficulty still being to fix upon a day. Its passage is doubtful. A resolution was offered order for to-morrow.

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